

BARRY MILLER says that the 1995 MICHEL Specialised Catalogue has the following note after the POL entry for West Germany.

"Although the formal suspension of the use of perfins by the Police-Department took place on 15 June 1965, the production of perforated stamps by subordinate offices continued until 31 December 1965. From 1-1-66 (reference to circular 178/65) the use of any perforated stamps was no longer allowed."

The last stamp referred to with the POL perfin is Mi 478 (issue of 29 MAY 1965).

This seems likely to be the last use because the last East German POL stamp mentioned in the catalogue is Mi 408 (from the 1953 5-year plan issue).

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